

Court, and to endorse thereon a certificate of such acknowledgment or probate, which certificate shall be signed by the justice who presides in Court at the time such acknowledgment or proof is made; and all bonds so taken, proved and certified, shall be deposited in the following offices, viz: bonds of the Clerks of the Superior Courts of Law shall be deposited in the office of the Clerks of the County Courts of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, and the bonds of the Clerks and Masters in Equity, and Clerks of the County Courts of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, shall be deposited in the Office of the Superior Courts of Law of the respective counties.

Bonds where to be deposited.

III. *Be it further enacted*, That the Clerks in whose offices said bonds shall be deposited, shall cause the same to be immediately registered in the Register's office of the respective counties, and on the destruction or loss of the original, a certified copy of said bonds shall be received in evidence.

Clerks to cause the bonds to be registered.

IV. *And be it further enacted by the authority of the same*, That it shall be the duty of the Clerks of the respective Courts aforesaid, safely to keep the bonds deposited in their offices under the same rules and regulations, as are now provided by law for the safe keeping of the records of their respective Courts; any law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

Clerks to safely keep bonds deposited in their offices.

V. *And be it further enacted*, That no Clerk of any County or Superior Court, or Clerk and Master in Equity in this State, shall enter on the duties of his office before he enters into and delivers over to the person authorised to receive the same, the bond required by this act, under the penalty of two thousand dollars, to be recovered before any jurisdiction having cognizance; one half to the use of the person who shall sue for the same, and the other half to the use of the wardens of the poor of the county in which suit shall be brought, and a recovery had.

Clerk to give bond before entering on the duties of his office.

VI. *And be it further enacted*, That all laws and clauses of laws, coming within the meaning of this act, shall be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Repealing clause.

CHAPTER X.

An act to allow the right of challenge to the State in certain cases.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That in all criminal cases of a capital nature, the prosecuting officer in behalf of the State shall have the right of challenging peremptorily four jurors: *Provided*, the said officer make his election to challenge before the juror is tendered to the prisoner; any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

In all criminal cases of a capital nature.

Proviso.

CHAPTER XI.

An act to reduce the number of petty musters to two in a year.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That so much of an act, passed in the year one thousand eight hundred and six, chapter seven hundred and eight, entitled "An

Repealing clause.